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## SPRING 1951 HARDY ASTERS AND ANEMONES

We are offering this year some of our Hardy Asters. (Novae Angliae) which are the results of many years breeding of this strain of Hardy Asters. They have been tested by a number of outstanding Horticulturists and they all felt that they should be introduced to the gardening public. We sent our first outstanding seedling Hardy Aster to Waltham Field Station for trial in 1940. That fall it was reported "that among the four hundred varieties Curtis Pink was the out standing variety." The Wayside Gardens purchased it and changed the name to "Survivor" and it received an Award of Merit from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society on October 9, 1940.

In the 11 years since then we have grown thousands of Aster seedlings and the following varieties in our estimation are worthy of introduction.

#### CULTURE

Of all the species of Hardy Asters the Novae Angliae is the hardiest, being practically indestructible. It does well in any good garden soil and prefers full sun, but can also be grown in partial shade. It's natural height is from 4 to 6 feet, making it an ideal background for a perennial border. It can be successfully held to a height of 2 feet by pinching out the center, when the shoot is 6 inches, then when the branches are about 10 inches long pinch out the tips of them, and another pinching out of the tips when the bush is 18 inches high should give you a nicely rounded bush which will be practically covered with blooms for a month.

Blooming time is August, September.

### ASTER NOVAE-ANGLIAE

Martha Haislip

not available this year

Salmon pink. Brilliant color with no trace of the usual lavender. Profuse bloomer. This is the first Hardy Aster produced in this shade. Flowers stay open at night, therfore an extremely valuable cut flower.

Arizona Sunset

.60

This salmon color is found in no other hardy aster. It is a grand addition to the aster family, and blends in beautifully with the blues and reds.

Pink Bouquet

.60

A very fine pink with an abundance of large blooms, one branch in itself makes a lovely bouquet of pink daisies.

Jessie Curtis

.60

Red. Buds are true red, the open flowers, like all red asters are of a red-purple tint. Under artificial light the color is a vivid crimson.

Blue Skies

.60

Clear light blue blooms on strong well branched stems, with a dark green glossy foliage. Height 3 to 4 feet

3 of one variety

1.50

The following Hardy Asters are new and outstanding. Some of these varieties have been introduced in this country and some abroad.

## ASTER NOVAE-BELGI HYBRIDS

PLENTY

.50

Extra large semi double. The color is a lovely soft powder blue. Profuse bloomer. Grows 3 to 4 ft. tall.

#### **PROSPERITY**

.50

Large deep rosy pink. Extra strong grower, and also a profuse bloomer. Grows 3 to 4 ft. tall.

## NEW DWARF OREGON ASTER

## PACIFIC AMARANTH

.50

A compact horizontal branching plant about 12 inches high. The plant is entirely covered with Amaranth colored blooms. It is an early bloomer, beginning to bloom in August.

3 of One Variety

1.35

## JAP. ANEMONES [WINDFLOWER]

Anemones are the most graceful flowers for the fall garden, blooming when other perennials are scarce. They will do their best if given partial shade and plenty of moisture.

ALICE

.50

Large blooms of a silvery rose-pink. Grows from 2 to 3 ft. Sept.

## MARIE MANCHARD

.50

A beautiful semi-double white. Early flowering. The finest of the white Anemones. Flowers are produced in abundance. Height 3 feet. Sept.

### SEPTEMBER CHARM

.50

Considered one of the best and earliest varieties. Produces many flowers of silvery pink and rose. Grows to 2 ft. Sept.

SEPTEMBER QUEEN

.50

These semi-double rosy red flowers are freely produced. Grows to 2 ft. Sept.

#### HUPEHENSIS

.50

EARLY ANEMONE. The plant grows from 12 to 14 inches high and from early August until late in the autumn. Produces an abundance of flowers about one and a half inches in diameter of a pleasing mauve-rose. Similar to Anemone Japonica but much earlier blooming

3 of One Variety

\$ 1.35



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